## Carson City Arts and Culture Coalition Minutes of Meeting, Friday, January 15, 2010 1:00 p.m. at Carson City Library

**Call to order:** Denise Gillott called the meeting to order at about 1:05 p.m. Also, in attendance were Ellie Bugli, David Bugli, Andi Moore, Sara Jones (joined us at 2:10), and Sharon Rosse (joined us at 2:25).

**Treasurer's Report:** Ellie Bugli handed out a report that indicated that we earned \$0.28 interest sine the last meeting (Nov. 20). We had no expenses. The bank balance is \$1,333.42. Ellie will contact Denise for the total dues due from Pinkerton.

**Minutes:** David Bugli apologized for being behind in getting the minutes out for several meetings. David and Ellie had to miss the November 20, 2009, meeting because they had to get to Elko for an engagement before bad weather set in. It was reported that Denise Gillott and Robin Hodgkin showed up, plus a man from Dance Spirit. There was no meeting in December. David reported that he still needs to type up minutes from the 8/21/09 (short) meeting and the 10/16/09 meeting, and perhaps provide a summary of the 12/11/09 Carson City Cultural Commission (CCCC) meeting (that was held in lieu of a CCACC meeting).

**Publicity:** The CCACC Facebook page has over 80 "friends," and others are encouraged to join. David expressed interest in posting Carson City Symphony and Mile High Jazz Band events there.

Review of 9/28/2008 Candidates' Forum video: The main focus of the meeting was viewing the 2008 Candidates' Forum (first half). Guy Rocha served as MC then, and it was agreed that he did a great job. Shelly Aldean, Dennis Johnson, Bob Crowell, Ken Haskins, Richard Staub, and Molly Walt were the candidates being questioned (Mayor and Board of Supervisor candidates). Various ideas were expressed by the candidates. For example, Aldean proposed using the room tax to promote the arts. We discussed showing this video to the Commission and Board of Supervisors, but to wait until after the March decision on the Nugget Development plan. Andi Moore suggested that CCACC members could join the "Nevada's Working Capital" Facebook page, and that later on we could get on the Board of Supervisor's agenda. Other candidate opinions were expressed, and it was suggested that we remind a number of the candidates of the ideas they brought up in the forum. We stopped the video at the 1:02 mark and intend to pick up there at the next meeting (Feb. 20).

It was suggested that we have another forum in September or October. Sharon Rosse moved that we put on a forum prior to each general election. Ellie seconded the motion. We discussed that we might open it up to candidates for Assembly seats. There will also be Board of Supervisor and School Board seats open this fall (but not the Mayor's). The motion passed. Denise will check with Mitch Ames into available dates at the Community Center. Sara Jones feels we need to contact candidates as soon as they announce and ask them our "arts questions," so they will start thinking about how to answer them. (We were pleased at how seriously the 2008 candidates dealt with our questions.) We think the candidate filing is towards the start of May. On another "political" note, it was mentioned that The Progressive Forum had met at Comma Coffee.

**Next meeting:** Friday, February, 19, 2010, at 1:00 pm at the Carson City Library. The March meeting will be on Tuesday, March 16, to coincide with (follow?) the CCCC meeting that day at the Sierra Room at the Community Center.

## **Announcements:**

- Feb. 12 Jim McCormack is doing a project in conjunction with Sharon Rosse's Capital City Arts Initiative.
- Feb. 25 There will be a digital media event at the Carson City Library (per Sharon). Sara Jones suggested Sharon contact the Pioneer High School in Carson City in regards to this, and it was mentioned that Bret Caron was a good digital media resource for her.
- Ellie Bugli spoke about the Symphony's "Strings in the Schools" program. Next school year, high school level players will have a string class (orchestra) during the day for credit if enough students sign up, which appears likely.
- David Bugli mentioned that the Mile High Jazz Band and the Carson High Jazz Band will be holding their annual Jazz Extravaganza at the Brewery Arts Center tonight (Jan. 15) at 8:00 p.m. The purpose of this is to raise money to send high school musicians to a festival this year in Seattle.
- The library folks mentioned that all the free tickets for the March 9 Greg Mortenson have been handed out (except for a few that have been held in reserve). Mortenson is the author of "Three Cups of Tea." There was some talk of the event being cablecast by ACCTV if the Board of Supervisors agrees to move its meeting to another venue (to free up the cable equipment).
- It was mentioned that there are some changes happening with Dave Morgan's NewsCarsonCity.com website, and that Dave was becoming just a writer for it. Dave has been very good about video coverage of the arts.

The **meeting adjourned** at 3:14 p.m.

(Minutes prepared by David Bugli, Interim Secretary)